

IN THE SPECIFICATION AMEND

Please delete the paragraph beginning on Page 1, line 1, and replace it with:

- - The invention relates to a textile material ~~according to the precharacterising clause of Claim 1~~, and to a process for manufacturing such a textile material. - -

Please delete the paragraph beginning on Page 1, Line 23, and replace it with:

- - This object is achieved according to the invention by a textile material ~~according to Claim 1~~ having a base structure with one of fibres and a film base-structure, the base structure supporting a functional layer on at least one of its sides, which functional layer has hollow spherical particles, at least one of which have an active-substance fluid embedded therein, wherein the spherical particles include a resistance to environmental influences, which resistance can vary from particle to particle. - -

Please delete the paragraph beginning on Page 2, Line 1, and replace it with:

- - ~~The One~~ further development of the invention ~~according to Claim 2 is~~ may provide an advantageous advantage in terms of the economical use of the material out of which the functional layer is made, by providing spaced sub-regions in the functional layer. Also, the basic properties of the base structure are maintained in the regions between the areas of the functional layer. Thus, it would be conceivable for a particular functional layer, which for example ensures that the textile material glides easily over the skin or that it has a pleasant feel, to be less advantageous with respect to its moisture permeability. However, in such a case, the moistures permeability of the textile material is on the

whole retained, since uncoated regions remain between the sub-regions of the functional layer. - -

Please delete the paragraph beginning on Page 2, Line 15, and replace it with:

- - As a result of ~~the further development~~ one preferred embodiment of the invention according to ~~Claim 3~~, the functional layer and unaltered sub-regions of the base structure alternate at very small spacings. However, the direct contact between the wearer's skin and the textile material takes place predominantly by way of the free surfaces of the particles of the functional layer. - -

Please delete the paragraph beginning on Page 2, Line 23, and replace it with:

- - ~~The~~ Another further development of the invention ~~according Claim 4 is then as~~ described herein may be particularly advantageous if deterioration of the functional layer is to be expected during use of the textile material, by providing particles that are solid. -

Please delete the paragraph beginning on Page 2, Line 28, and replace it with:

- - ~~The~~ One further ~~development~~ advantage of the invention ~~according to Claim 5 is that~~ it enables the wearer's skin to be influenced specifically when the textile material is worn. The active substances provided in the particles can include those which have a physical action or those which have a chemical or medicated action. Examples of active substances which work physically are in particular substances which can absorb moisture, in particular perspiration, or those which modify the "feel" of the textile material, or

those which help the textile material to glide over the skin with a low degree of friction.

Further active substances can include fragrances or deodorants or the like. Again, further medicated active substances can include substances which prevent or reduce perspiration, which supply care agents to the skin, for example vitamins, which contain active substances which may be supplied via the skin, or even those which counteract or prevent fungal infections of the skin. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 3, Line 10, and replace it with:

- - ~~The further development~~ Another preferred embodiment of the invention according to ~~Claim 6~~ provides the active substance near the surface of the particles, and is advantageous in terms of the active substances being released onto the skin on direct contact. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 3, Line 14, and replace it with:

- - ~~The further development~~ Still another advantage of the invention according to ~~Claim 7~~ is advantageous in terms of the saving is that it saves on material and in terms of the elasticity of the particles. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 3, Line 18, and replace it with:

- - ~~The further development of~~ Yet another advantage of the invention according to ~~Claim 8~~ is that it ensures a slow release of the active substances. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 3, Line 21, and replace it with:

- - ~~As a result of the further development~~ a further advantage of the invention ~~according to Claim 9~~, the basic geometry of the base structure is modified only slightly by the functional layer when microcapsules are used as the particles. Moreover, proven processes are available for the manufacture of microcapsules. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 3, Line 27, and replace it with:

- - The textile material may also include particles that vary in their thickness, diameter or in their resistance to environmental influences. ~~The further developments of the invention according to Claims 10 to 13 are~~ These variations are advantageous in terms of controlling the release of the active substances. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 3, Line 31, and replace it with:

- - ~~Claims 14 and 15 describe~~ The present invention may also include alternative possibilities for connecting the particles to the base structure of the textile material, including the use of a bonding agent, or having the outside surface of the particles in an adhesive condition. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 3, Line 35, and replace it with:

- - Also, the functional layer of the invention may have spaced fibres, which are incorporated in the base structure such that they project beyond the surface thereof on at least one side. ~~As a result of such a preferred embodiment as a result of the further development of the invention according to Claim 16~~, the contact between the textile

material and a wearer's skin is effected at least predominantly by way of the functional layer, whilst a large part of the base structure of the textile material remains unaltered. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 4, Line 5, and replace it with:

- - Textile materials ~~according to Claim 17 are notable for~~according to a preferred embodiment of the invention gliding-glide easily over the skin and are therefore particularly suitable for trousers, shirts, blouses, underwear and the like. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 4, Line 10, and replace it with:

- - ~~The materials described in Claim 18 are stable under~~The particles of the textile material are preferably selected from the following groups of materials: ceramics materials, silicone elastomers, polyurethanes, nitrile rubbers, chloroprene rubbers, polyvinyl alcohols, silicones, ethylene/vinyl-acetate polymers, acrylic resins. A textile material including such materials are stable under wearing conditions and under washing conditions and are notable for being comfortable for the wearer. This is particularly true of ceramics particles, since these have a cooling sensation. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 4, Line 16, and replace it with:

-- ~~Claim 19 indicates P~~preferred diameters for particles contained in the functional layer are between 2µm and 2,000 µm, preferably between 2 µm and 100 µm, and preferably between 2 µm and 10 µm. --

Please delete the paragraph on Page 4, Line 19, and replace it with:

- - ~~The further development of the invention according to Claim 20~~ Preferably, the functional layer may be dissolved by water and/or a solvent, which enables items of clothing to first of all be provided with a protective layer which comes into contact with the skin of different customers trying on the items of clothing, but can be removed easily by the buyer after an item of clothing has been purchased. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 4, Line 26, and replace it with:

- - The process for making the present textile material according to ~~Claim 21~~ to the invention enables the base structure to be provided simply and economically with a defined functional layer having a uniform thickness. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 4, Line 30, and replace it with:

- - ~~According to Claim 22~~ The process described herein, it is also possible to enables a manufacturer to impregnate the base structure more deeply with the material of the functional layer. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 4, Line 34, and replace it with:

- - The process according to ~~Claim 23~~ to the invention is advantageous in terms of an even deeper impregnation of the base structure with the material of the functional layer. Also, the use of a compliant circumferential layer of the application roller is particularly suitable if the material of the functional layer, which is applied in liquid form, contains admixed particles, in particularly admixed microcapsules. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 5, Line 5, and replace it with:

- - ~~The further development of the invention according to Claim 24~~ Preferably, the process of the invention enables only predetermined sub-regions of the surface of a base structure to be covered with functional-layer material, so that the functional layer comprises spaced patches of material. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 5, Line 11, and replace it with:

- - ~~The further development of the invention according to Claim 25~~ Preferred embodiments of the process of manufacturing ~~is~~ are advantageous if the particles of the functional layer are particularly fine and/or particularly fragile, for example microcapsules. - -

Please delete the paragraph on Page 5, Line 16, and replace it with:

- - The process according to ~~Claim 26~~ the invention can be carried out in particularly simple manner using spray devices. - -

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-- TITLE OF THE INVENTION --

On Page 1, Line 1, please insert:

-- BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION --

On Page 1, Line 23, please insert:

-- BRIEF SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION --

On Page 5, Line 19, please insert:

-- DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS --

On Page 6, Line 21, please insert:

-- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION --